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## Response to Official Action Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

40 Sir:

The Applicant herein petitions under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for an extension of time of one

(1) month to January 7, 2007, for responding to the Office Action referenced herein.

In response to the Office Action dated September 7, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.